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Construction begins on US Highway 85 near Watford City

Construction begins today, June, 3 on US Highway 85 in Watford City and will continue west and north for approximately 41 miles to the Junction of US Highway 85 and US Highway 2 west of Williston. Work consists of roadway widening and construction of passing lanes.

During construction:

- Speeds will be reduced in work zones
- Flaggers will be present
- Pilot cars will be used in work areas
- Fresh oil may be present on the roadway
- Night operations may be performed
- Motorists may experience delays of 15 to 30 minutes

This project is expected to be complete by late August.

Rear end crashes are the most common in work zones. Motorists are encouraged to slow down, allow extra distance between their vehicles and the vehicle in front of them, use caution, and obey flaggers and posted signs.

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